GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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LOSSES DUE TO BREACH OF KOSI RIVER
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the breach of Kosi river has caused extensive damage to agricultural land and crops in the affected States in the recent past;

(b) if so, whether the Government has sent any team to the affected areas to ascertain the losses to agriculture crops etc;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to draw any plans for agricultural development in the flood prone areas; and

(e) if so, the details thereof including the details regarding central assistance for restoration of farming land affected by the recent floods?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): A High Level Central Team was constituted and the Team visited the flood affected areas in Bihar on 27th September, 2008, with a view to assess the situation and to make necessary recommendations regarding assistance required by the State Government and steps required to be taken for rehabilitation of agriculture in State.

(d) & (e) : Further action is being taken.